

## **Nurse staffing, nursing assistants and hospital mortality: retrospective longitudinal cohort study.**

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There is a clear link between [nurse staffing ratios](#) and patient safety. This study corroborates the finding that lower registered nurse staffing and higher numbers of patients admitted per nurse are associated with increased rates of in-hospital mortality. The results underscore the importance of adequate [nursing](#) to ensure safe acute care.